Financial assistance is provided to Non Governmental Organisations for construction and maintenance of old age homes, day care centres and mobile medicare units by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.

Legal provisions for protection of older persons from physical and emotional abuse and domestic violence.

A rebate of 30% of the tax due on the covered space of such building up to one hundred sq. mtrs. of the covered space has been allowed by the Municipal Corporation of Delhi in the case of any self-occupied residential building singly owned by a man who is sixty years or more in age.

Under Section 125 of Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 every person having sufficient means is required to maintain the parents if they are unable to maintain themselves.

The Ministry has requested all State Governments to frame their State Policy on Older Persons. So far, the State Governments of Karnataka and Goa have already announced their State Policy for Older Persons.

Further as per the directions of this Ministry, the Director Generals of Police of most of the States and Union Territories have issued instructions to their field formations about special attention to be paid for safeguarding the lives and properties of senior citizens.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO UNSTARRED QUESTIONS

Dumping of e-waste

301. SHRIMATI N.P. DURGA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Britain is dumping e-waste such as broken computer monitors, TVs, discarded mobile phones etc. every year in India;

(b) if so, the details of the e-waste dumped during the last five years; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to stop this dumping?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN): (a) to (c) The ITC (HS) Classification of Export and Import items, 2004-2009 lays down that imports of hazardous waste into India shall be subject to the provision of Hazardous Waste (Management and Handling) Amendment Rules, 2003.

Electronic scrap is included under List A and List B of Schedule—3 of the Hazardous Wastes (Management and Handling) Rules, 1989 as amended from time to time. The import of this waste, therefore, requires specfic permission of the Ministry of Environment and Forests. No such permission has been given by the Ministry till date.